

Premier of Queensland Minister for the Olympics







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Dear Mr Laurie /////

Thank you for your letter of 22 October 2021, enclosing petition 3575-21, which was received by the House on 12 October 2021.

The Queensland Government is committed to maximising the benefits of the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympics Games (the Games) for all Queenslanders and create new opportunities for regional Queensland that may otherwise not have been possible.

Attracting the Games to Queensland will provide the certainty and confidence needed to trigger increased investment across the state and provide a 10-year pipeline of jobs, trade and investment opportunities, and legacy projects that will benefit all Queenslanders right across the state and for decades to come.

Engaging local industry and generating jobs is one of the key objectives of the Queensland Government. The Games will drive industry investment in new skills, capacity and supply chains right across the state, particularly across areas of construction, manufacturing and tourism. Brisbane 2032 will be the world's first climate positive Games, and it is anticipated that regional Queensland will play an important role in driving new industries to meet our sustainable energy targets for the Games and beyond.

Regional Queensland will also benefit from a significant uplift in tourism and trade, brought about by the international spotlight the Games will bring to our state over the next eleven years and beyond. Increased international tourism and trade is expected to inject \$4.6 billion into the Queensland economy and the Games legacy program will drive additional social benefits across the state estimated at \$3.5 billion.

Again, thank you for taking the time to write on this matter.

Yours sincerely

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